

# **BOARD AND STAKEHOLDER MEETING AGENDA**

### Tuesday 20 February 2024 6:30 PM

## Note Tuesday meeting day

In-Person Meeting (Without Teleconferencing)

## Los Angeles Yacht Club, 285 Whalers Walk, San Pedro CA 90731

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- 1. Voluntary opportunity to say the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Public comment on non-agenda items.
- 3. Call to order and roll call.
- 4. Board member comment on non-agenda items. [May include comment on Board members' own activities/brief announcements; brief response to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their general public comment rights or asking questions for clarification; introduction of new issues for consideration by the Board at its next meeting; or requests for research and a report back to the Board.]
- 5. Approval of prior meeting minutes.
- 6. Presentation from PlaceWorks landscape architect on White Point Park Improvements Project [10 min].
- 7. Presentation from Sergio Carillo (Council District 15) on the Public Access Investment Plan (PAIP) [10 min].
- 8. Presentation from Jonathan Williams on the project to connect the cruise terminal through the Iowa to the Downtown Harbor, and other changes to the cruise terminal [10 min].
- 9. Report from law enforcement and public officials.
- 10. Committee reports [2 minutes per committee]
- 11. Motion recommending comment to Los Angeles Public Library.
- 12. Motion supporting Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) project at 3733 Emily St.
- 13. Motion recommending withdrawal of the City of Los Angeles current draft of CEQA Thresholds Related to Construction Noise and Vibration changes and restarting the draft process.
- 14. Motion approving Neighborhood Purpose Grant to the Point Fermin Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization for Peace Garden Project.
- 15. Treasurer's report.

Budget and Finance (Consent Calendar)

16. Approval of Monthly Expenditure Reports for January 2024.

- 17. Approval of Monthly Expenses, including approval of Treasurer's payment of all recurring Neighborhood Council expenses including (but not limited to) Bridgegap Temporary Staffing and Services Agency in the amount not to exceed \$1,000 per month, the Mailroom in the amount not to exceed \$1,000 per month, office supplies in the amount not to exceed \$1,000 per month, an amount not to exceed \$300 for refreshments for the monthly Board meeting, and an amount not to exceed \$200 for cleaning fees after the Board meeting.
- 18. Motion to approve funding for refreshments at CERT training.
- 19. Approve payment to Anderson Senior Center for CERT classes.
- 20. Appointments of committee officers, committee members, and Board representatives.
- 21. Announcements.
- 22. Public comment on non-agenda items.
- 23. Adjournment.

#### 11. Motion recommending comment to Los Angeles Public Library.

#### Planning, Land Use, and Transportation

*Resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council shall send the attached letter to the Los Angeles City Librarian and Councilmember Tim McOsker addressing the deplorable conditions at the San Pedro Library.

January 24, 2024 John Szabo City Librarian Los Angeles Public Library 630 W. 5th Street Los Angeles, California CA 90071

Dear Mr. Szabo,

The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports the LA City Public Library and the work your staff does in providing free resources, services, and information to residents and visitors. It also is a critical source of free information to our small business community.

We would like to bring to your attention the current conditions at the San Pedro Public Library located at 931 S. Gaffey Street. San Pedro. The building needs general maintenance, including exterior paint, interior ceiling repair, kitchen and bathroom upgrades, and parking lot maintenance. It is our understating in speaking with Councilmember McOsker of The One Five, that there is money in the 2023/2024 City of Los Angeles for improvements to the San Pedro Library. As an organization who works to improve our community, we strongly encourage the work to be scheduled as soon as possible to create a vibrant and welcoming library on an important commercial corridor.

Thank you for your consideration of our request. We look forward to hearing from your office.

Sincerely,

Doug Epperhart

President Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council

CC: Councilmember Tim McOsker, The One Five

#### 12. Motion supporting Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) project at 3733 Emily St.

#### Planning, Land Use, and Transportation

*Resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports the proposed Accessory Dwelling Unit project at 3733 Emily St.

#### 13. Motion recommending improved handling of graffiti in local parks.

Coastline and Parks Committee

Whereas there has been a dramatic increase in graffiti in our local Coastal Parks, and

Whereas this graffiti violates not only local laws but also section 30251 the California Coastal Act, and

*Whereas* once a workorder has been submitted for one vandalized area, recreation and Parks painters sent to cover the graffiti are only allowed to paint the area specified on the work order even if they notice other areas that need to be painted over,

*Resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council urges the Department of Recreation and Parks to develop a streamlined process for a painter to quickly add additional areas in need of painting to an existing work order, which they see when they're on site, which would ultimately save the Department time and money and provide the benefit of quicker and more effective graffiti removal for the community.

*Further resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council requests that the City find then allocate funding to hire additional painters to address the issues described above and/or allow LA311 to remove graffiti on RAP territory as they have done in the past.

*Further resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council also requests that the City look into the possibility of funding and hiring GAP (Gang Alternative Program) as a third resource to deal with the graffiti removal.

#### 14. Motion recommending withdrawal of the City of Los Angeles current draft of CEQA Thresholds Related to Construction Noise and Vibration changes and restarting the draft process.

#### Planning, Land Use, and Transportation

[See accompanying letter from Bel Aire/Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council]

*Whereas*, the City of Los Angeles is planning to make major changes to the Construction Noise and Vibration Thresholds and Methodology for CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) analysis;

*Whereas*, we are concerned that the proposal is to weaken the protections from excessive noise for all areas of the city, including the much less developed hillside areas, on the argument that Los Angeles is an "urban environment" and that residents are "used to temporary construction noise;"

Whereas, the process has been rushed and has excluded meaningful public input;

*Whereas*, the City has developed a pattern and practice of rushing and keeping major projects such as this out of the public eye;

*Whereas*, the City's technical advisory panel lacked independent scientific experts on health and annoyance;

*Whereas*, the fundamental rationale for the update (to make CEQA case approval easier for the City) is flawed and unsupported by evidence;

Whereas, daytime noise limits are essential to protect all people, including shift workers;

*Whereas*, lower income and vulnerable communities typically live in older housing which is much less resistant to external noise than new and recently constructed housing, thus the City's reliance on existing, newer building codes to mitigate noise is discriminatory because these more recent codes only apply to newer and more recent construction (of which approximately 90% is market rate housing) and not to those who live in older housing that is not nearly as insulated against external noise as newer buildings;

*Whereas*, the City and State have articulated standards for the protection of biological diversity and wildlife, the evaluation of noise impacts on wildlife, as well as domestic pets, is not included and should be, and

*Whereas*, the use of Leq as a measurement standard hides disturbing noise levels because it averages out the total noise levels during an entire day so there may be extremely high noise levels that are disturbing for a short period of time, but if it is reasonably quiet the rest of the day, then the Leq number can be low;

*Whereas*, the carefully researched letter of opposition submitted by the Bel Air/Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council is incorporated herein by reference; and

*Whereas*, the entire process is based on faulty logic about current environmental conditions and human adaptation to them, is derived from a highly questionable process of having developer's consultants guide the revision, and is plagued by a lack of reference to peer-reviewed scientific literature.

*Therefore Be It Resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council urgently requests that the City's current draft of the CEQA Thresholds Related to Construction Noise and Vibration changes be withdrawn and the process started again with a citizen advisory panel and a technical advisory panel that is free from financial conflicts of interest.

# 15. Motion approving Neighborhood Purpose Grant to the Point Fermin Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization for Peace Garden Project.

#### [See application]

The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council approves a neighborhood purpose grant in the amount of \$4,500 for a peace garden at Point Fermin Elementary School.

#### 18. Motion to approve funding for refreshments at CERT training.

The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council shall allocate an amount not to exceed \$800 for refreshments at scheduled CERT training events.

#### 19. Approve payment to Anderson Memorial Senior Center for CERT classes.

#### [See invoice]

*Resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council approves payment of invoice from Anderson Memorial Senior Center for CERT classes in the amount of \$720.

# For more information, please call 310-918-8650; write to CSPNC, 1840 S. Gaffey Street #34, San Pedro, CA 90731; or visit the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council website at www.cspnc.org.

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Meeting locating is Los Angeles Yacht Club, past the DoubleTree Hotel.